

April 2007

Gallatin County 4-H Newsletter



BENEFIT DAY FOR KATIE HOLLAND **Horse'n Around Game Day**

Join us for a game day on May 12th at the Gallatin County Fairgrounds. All proceeds will go to Katie Holland & Family. Donations are also welcome. Check in will start at 8:00 am and games will start at 9:00 am. Games include: poles, hole-in-one, keyhole, quadrangle, flag race, barrels, and ribbon race. Cost is only \$5 per game or \$30 for the day. Four different age levels: 18-over, 17-14, 13-9, 8 & under. Any questions or if you would like to help, contact Jessica Woodring at (406)580-6707.



Montana 4-H Recreation Lab

The 2007 Montana 4-H Rec Lab will be held April 20-22, 2007 at the Gallatin County Fairgrounds. The cost is \$75 per participant, this includes lodging at the Bozeman Holiday Inn. Registration due date is April 3, 2007. Registration forms are available at the Gallatin County Extension Office or online at www.gallatinextension.com. The schedule is packed full with exciting activities for both youth and adult participants beginning Friday evening at 7:00 pm with registration and a motivating opening session at the Gallatin County Fairgrounds. Saturday will be filled with lots opportunities to learn tips and tricks in a variety of different hands-on workshops. There will be a banquet and dance Saturday evening to celebrate another great Rec Lab. The event will close on Sunday morning at approximately 11:00 am after an inspiring reflection and exchange of ideas. A more detailed schedule including workshop descriptions is available. Learn tips and tricks for creating magical moments in your club, community, and county.

LEADERS COUNCIL MEETING

The Gallatin 4-H Unlimited Leaders Council will meet on the second Tuesday of the month at 6:30 at Mackenzie River Pizza in Belgrade. Bring your appetite and a few bucks for pizza. **Next meeting date is April 10, 2007.** The public is always welcome to attend, however the Council may go into Executive Session for issues of confidentiality and close the meeting to the public.

Attention 4-H Livestock Project Members

This years **Animal Quality Assurance Workshop** will be held on Thursday, April 5, at 6:00 p.m. in the Belgrade High School Cafeteria and will be presented in a completely different format. Quinn Holzer, Extension Agent for Lewis and Clark County, will be our presenter and promises to conduct a hands-on workshop that will to be both educational and engaging. We will even feed you pizza and provide soft drinks at no cost to you. **Please RSVP by calling 388-3213 by Wednesday, April 4th, 5:00 pm** so that we order enough pizza and drinks.

AQA – What is it? Animal Quality Assurance is a program that makes you aware of consumer preferences, teaches proper medication techniques including injections and withdrawal times, and assists 4-H members in producing the best possible product for the consumer. Many professionals in the livestock industry are required to take an Animal Quality Assurance course.

AQA is required for beef and sheep project members and highly encouraged for swine project members. The certification given after completing this workshop is valid for two years. If you attended last year, you are not required to attend again until 2008. If you can't remember, please call the Gallatin County MSU Extension Office at 388-3213 – we have a list. This workshop will count toward your required workshops for all three species. See you on April 5th.